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Hendersons gathered in Murfreesboro for the society's annual general meeting. What a good-looking group – and this was just the ones who attended.

Dr. Donald A. Henderson Honored at Christmas Walk Ceilidh in Alexandria



President Rex Maddox
presenting the Order of the
Chief to Dr. D.A. Henderson.

President Kennedy established the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1963 to honor the distinguished service performed by civilians in peacetime. This past summer, President Bush so honored clan member Dr. Donald A. Henderson at a White House ceremony. The President called Donald "a great general in mankind's war against disease."

D.A., an epidemiologist, led the World Health Organization's campaign to stamp out smallpox—a feat he finally accomplished in 1977 when the last case of smallpox occurred in Somalia. Accomplishing this task required great ingenuity and tenacity; skills he will need as he chairs the Health and Human Services bioterrorism advisory commission. He heads the Center for Civilian Biodefense Studies at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland.

His parents, who had volunteered with the Salvation Army after they had retired, insisted that a strong work effort was a part of their Scottish Heritage. At 73, D.A. continues his efforts to save us from disease.

Clan Henderson is proud of his work and this recognition of his service to mankind. He was recognized with Clan Henderson's Order of the Chief at the Ceilidh after the Alexandria Christmas Walk.

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Send the completed form to your Commissioner or directly to

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The "Circle?"
It is a "Round To It!"

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President's Message

by Rex A. Maddox



Perhaps you have not noticed the change in the masthead for this issue of *An Canach*. Effective the first of January 2003, we became the Clan Henderson Society of the United States. This new title was recommended and approved at the Annual General Meeting held in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, last October and was brought about by an agreement with our Canadian cousins that they should become a separate and autonomous organization. Henceforth we shall be known by this terminology and will only look to the fifty states of the United States for our membership. We shall not decline membership to any person residing outside the fifty states, however, continuing with our past policy of accepting for membership any person, from any country, who could qualify in accordance with our Constitution and Bylaws and wished to become a member of our Society. We start off this new year by wishing our Canadian cousins the best of success in their endeavor to establish a separate Clan Henderson Society. We shall support them in this effort in whatever way they may request and is possible from our resources.

The meeting in Murfreesboro was attended by a good number of Henderson cousins, with some coming from as far as Florida, Colorado and the West Coast. Our banquet and ceilidh were well attended and the evening seemed to go on into Saturday night without effort. Several of our members entertained, with a highlight of the evening being an interesting talk and exhibition by our Clan Piper, John Bergquist, on

the great highland bagpipes and other instruments of the same type. We also heard the humor of Beth Gay, Horace Loftin, Edwin Hendricks, and Fred Sanford who left the assembled



J. Michael Henderson was presented the Order of the Chief and his badge of office as the vice president by Rex.

group in stitches.

The effort to produce a modified Constitution and Bylaws for the vote of our assembled members was delayed due to numerous recommended changes which the executive board was asked to consider. Your president tabled these items until the committee that considered the original modifications could review the recommended changes and produce a new version. The final version was submitted to the executive board where it was approved without dissent. You will find the Constitution and Bylaws in this issue of *An Canach*; they became effective on 1 January 2003.

We've made great strides during the past two years in building our membership to where it now exceeds the three

thousand family mark. My term as your president has been a busy and interesting experience. I managed to attend thirty events this past year and twenty-nine the previous year. Some of these I convened and located new convenors who will ensure the Henderson name is placed before the public at as many Scottish or Celtic events as possible.

We've located some very good prospects to fill the few vacancies that exist in the ranks of our commissioners and will be making those appointments in the near future. I want to ensure the best possible people are placed in these positions of great importance to our Society as they become the managers of our activities and certainly lead us into the future.

I will try to not let you down as I now proceed into a second term as your president. My itinerary for the coming year will be set soon and I am hoping to see many of you at the Games and Festivals that are held in your local area.

We will meet for our annual gathering this year at the Highland Games held in Enumclaw, Washington on the last weekend of July. You should really try to attend this event—I have been there on two previous occasions and found great games, well organized, and lots of activities for all members of the family. Truly a fine time for a family vacation! See you there?

[Ed. note: The "masthead" is page 2—it is current. The "banner" is the graphic display that is on the cover and it is preprinted. The "folio" is the current issue's volume and number and date. The banner will change with the next issue.]

High Commissioner Has Long Association with the Gathering of the Clan in North America

by Loulie Henderson

When the North Carolina Council of School Board Attorneys' seminar in Asheville, North Carolina, ended Dave and I decided to drive up the Blue Ridge Parkway. Since we live forty five minutes from the coast, it is always a treat to spend time in the majestic mountains of North Carolina. We had hoped to spend the night in Boone or Blowing Rock. Our youngest daughter was returning from an American Institute for Foreign Study trip in France and we had to meet her at the Raleigh-Durham Airport on Sunday. The year was 1984.

As we neared Linville we realized that there was a huge gathering of Scots at McCrae Meadow. Neither of us had ever attended the Highway Games. Wow! At the sight of the beautiful tartans, the sound of the bagpipes and the tremendous crowd of smiling faces, we both felt our Scottish roots. Needless to say, there were no local rooms available.

We decided to attend all of the events the following year. There was a complication. The seminar that David had to attend and the Grandfather Mountain Games were scheduled for the same weekend in July. Somehow Dave was elected Vice President of the Council for the following year so he changed the date.

In 1985 we returned to the Games and found an incredible bed and breakfast in Valle Crucis, The Mast Farm Inn. Francis and Sibyl Pressly made their guests feel very pampered, serving delicious meals including vegetables picked that morning from their

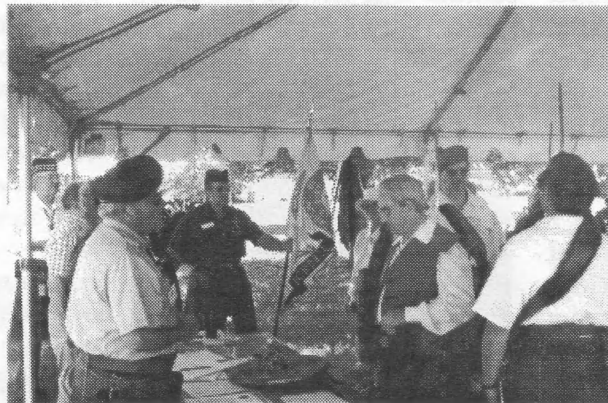
garden, and fresh flowers in the room every day. We stayed with them each summer that they owned the Inn.

From the Calling of Clans on Thursday evening to the Kirkin' O' the Tartans on Sunday morning, we were thrilled; but, then it was time for the Parade of Tartans. Clan Henderson was not organized in North America! Through the Council of Scottish Clans and Associations we discovered that the Chief of Clan Henderson

is Dr. John William Philip Henderson of Fordell who lives in Toowoomba, Australia.

In the summer of 1986 several Henderson family members met in the Clan Gunn tent to form a Clan Henderson Society. Dave sent a petition to the Chief requesting permission to form a Scottish Clan Henderson of Fordell in the United States. On September 22, 1986, Dr. John Henderson wrote granting permission to organize. Our first President was Walter ("Toby") Parrish from Nashville, Tennessee.

We have been blessed with strong leadership, members who have given their time and talents toward furthering the success of the Clan. Dr. John and Madame Gwen have been Honored Guests at several of the Games in the States. We have treasured their visits and appreciate the great distance that they had to travel to be with us. Clan Henderson has grown rapidly with our membership roster now exceeding three thousand families. Our lives have been enriched by being a part of the fun and fellowship we have enjoyed with our extended family – Clan Henderson.



David S. Henderson being recognized as the High Commissioner of Clan Henderson in North America during the annual general meeting in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.



David and Loulie Henderson

Heather Renee Henderson and Michael Ray Osborn Married in Kentucky

On 13 October 2001, Heather Renee Henderson, and Michael Ray Osborn were married in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Heather is the daughter of Alex and Barbara Henderson of Jamestown, Kentucky, and Fort Myers Beach, Florida.

As her father was born in Scotland, Heather and Michael elected to have as Scottish a wedding as possible. A piper welcomed guests to the service as well as piping the new couple out of the church, white heather was included in all floral arrangements, and the bridal party all wore Clan Henderson color.

Alex gave his daughter away wearing a kilt in his clan tartan while the bride wore a Henderson tartan sash. During the ceremony the groom was sashed, welcoming him as a new part of Clan Henderson.

In recognition of his past, as a professional singer, the bride's father sang the *Ave Maria* during the ceremony, and later at the reception, honored his daughter during the father-daughter dance as he sang *The Tennessee Waltz* to her.

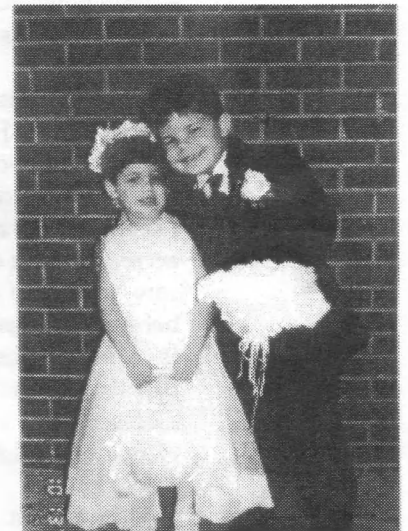
Heather seeds, brought from Scotland by the bride's parents from their Clan Henderson tour, were part of the favors at reception. To complete the Scottish flavor, several family members from Scotland were able to attend the festivities,



Piper leads Michael and Heather Osborn from the church after their vows.



Alex Henderson and daughter Heather Renee coming down the aisle.



Everyone had their part.

President Names New North East Region Commissioner

Announcing his appointment as the Clan Society's representative for the North East Region, President Rex A. Maddox stated he was very pleased that we were gaining an individual of stature with some management experience and who is willing to bring together the Hendersons residing in the seven state area that comprises the North East Region.

Phillips Carpenter, the individual who has agreed to undertake this responsibility is a retired naval officer and JAG Corps member. A resident of Brimfield, Massachusetts, Phillips has discussed the needs of the North East Region with numerous members of the Society and feels he will be able to coordinate the activities of the region from his home location.

In a move to assist the newly-appointed commissioner in his efforts to put the Henderson name before the most people possible in the region, President Maddox and other knowledgeable members of the Society have volunteered to attend Scottish events within the seven-state area.

We welcome Phillips Carpenter to the ranks of leadership within the Society and wish him well with his plan to have the North East Region become the most member-populated region in the U.S.



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Dear Cousins:

I often get requests for specific details on sources and other documentation — i.e., "proofs" — of what James Henderson's second wife's name was, or where did I get Sally's birth and place of birth?

These "facts" come from the details in the genealogical material that you cousins send to me for our Henderson data base. I keep literally all of that data and accompanying correspondence in row on row of loose leaf binders behind my desk. The same data is also copied and kept in duplicate in the Henderson Collection at the Odom Genealogical Library in Moultrie, Georgia.

When I get your request for sources and documentation, the best response is for me is to put you in contact with the cousin who submitted that information. This brings me to the point of this little message: I have heard from several of you who have generously dug into old, musty papers to get at sources, reproduced them, written an accompanying letter, bought stamps and mailed everything to an inquiring cousin — never to hear even a simple "thanks" in return.

That's not right! Therefore it may be a good idea to review some standards of etiquette (i.e., common courtesy) expected of people doing genealogical work. Here are some words on the subject I wrote in this column in 1995.

First, it is perfectly proper to ask for assistance from your co-searchers for ancestors. Queries in publications, letters and phone calls to possible sources, all are basic to genealogical research. Only a clod would fail to respond to a courteous request for information if one has it.

Furthermore, making a request carries responsibilities with it. You may be asking someone to share data that he has spent months or years and hundreds of dollars to gather. Be prepared to share something back in return. The least you can do is offer to provide him with any relevant data you have which might be of interest to him. Once you have promised to share data, be absolutely certain that you promptly carry out your side of the bargain.

No one should be out of pocket because he responds to your call for genealogical help. Even an initial inquiry "fishing" for a contact should always include a stamped,

by Dr. Horace Loftin, FSA Scot
Clan Genealogist

self-addressed envelope. If your correspondent does have data that you need and is willing to share it with you, then by all means offer to compensate him for all the duplicating, telephone and mailing expenses involved.

Finally, and most important, don't neglect to say "thanks!" If you do this, maybe you can get by without the rest. But if you neglect to say "thank you," all the other things you do can turn to ashes. Even if a letter comes back saying "sorry, I can't help you," that person is due at least a post card saying "thanks anyway!"

If you are lucky and you find someone who shares his genealogical data with you, that person is someone special to you and deserves all the thanks and praise you can pile on in a letter, phone call — or maybe even a box of homemade cookies! What's very often appreciated is a word of explanation or maybe even a printout showing how his data solved your problem.

All this can be summed up very easily: if you responded to a query, how would you expect to be treated by the one you took all that trouble for?

Horace

Update your
genealogy and
write to
Horace Loftin
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Greenwood Dr.
Panama City,
FL 32407

Low Pay, but . . .

The Great Lakes Region is taking off with an increasing number of gatherings at Scottish events — with the exception of Illinois.

With the exception of activity at McKendree College, we have not attended any activity there.

If you are interested in representing the Clan Henderson Society and will gather the clan in

Illinois, please contact the Great Lakes Regional Commissioner Doug Henderson at

3740 W. 179 Street

Cleveland, OH 44111

(216) 476-8530.

Call him and talk about it!



MacStork

Brittany Victoria was born 19 June 2001 to Steven and Deborah Baker. Grandparents are William B. and Nancy Baker of Murphreesboro, Tennessee.

Jason Hunter was born 29 May 2001 to Deborah and Mark Orzechowski of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

James Tyler was born 25 January 2002 to Nichole F. and James Colacchio. Grandson of Craig Ferguson and great grandson of Eugene and Lorraine Ferguson.

John Douglas Henderson was born 31 May 2002 to Susan and Kyle Henderson of Oxford, GA. John is the grandson of Doug and Bonnie Henderson of Newport, NC and the great-nephew of Ann Henderson of Manassas, VA.

Jayden William was born 28 June 2002 to Heather and David Tetzlaff of Spotsylvania, Virginia.

Proud grandparents are Martin W. and Sandy Henderson; and aunts Sherrie Henderson, Jennifer Henderson.

John Douglas was born May 31st 2002 to Susan and Kyle Henderson of Oxford, GA. John is the grandson of Doug and Bonnie Henderson of Newport, NC and the great-nephew of Ann Henderson of Manassas, VA.



Flowers of the Forest

Dewin Homer Truett died 21 July 2002 in Cook Springs, Alabama. He is survived by his daughter Shirley Whitfield of Jemison, Alabama.

Useful Henderson Research Tools Available—

By Horace Loftin

Hendersons of

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<i>Early Arkansas</i>	(1850)	28pp	\$10.00
<i>Early California</i>	(1850)	12pp	\$ 6.00
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<i>Early Florida</i>	(1850-1870)	32pp	\$10.00
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<i>Early Washington/Oregon</i>	(1850-1860)	38pp	\$10.00

We have produced (and have others in the works) a series of booklets which contain ALL the Hendersons in 1850, 1860 and/or 1870 Censuses for states of special importance in tracking down those "hidden Hendersons." 1850 is, of course, the first census year in which all family members are listed. The booklets present, county by county, all Hendersons in residence, their birth years, state born in, and occasional notes on individuals and families. All names are indexed and cross-referenced to the county entries.

They also include the identification numbers used by R. H. (Bob) Henderson of Greer, South Carolina, and also those of the Clan Henderson data base for all individuals in our records. You are invited to contact me for genealogies of Hendersons so identified.

I use these constantly in my work as Clan Genealogist, and I believe you will find them excellent research tools.

We also have an outstanding booklet prepared by Clansman B. B. Shuffler, with simple but detailed information on sources for doing Henderson research, emphasis on where to go and what to look for in Scottish records: *Search for Scots*, 32pp, \$10.00

To order, specify the booklets you want and send check made out to "Clan Henderson Society," to Horace Loftin, 218 Greenwood Drive, Panama City FL 32407; phone: (850) 235-2984. Prices listed include postage.

... Great Benefits

As an aside, we had over 20 individuals attend a northern Ohio Clan Henderson Society gathering, pot luck and ceilidh in September at the home of Regional Commissioner Doug Henderson.

Doug would modestly assert the piano player was awesome!!! [See piano player in the center of page 9

to understand that remark.]

Barrie and Doug Whittington and their new daughter Mallee live in the area and attended. Barrie is the daughter of David and Loulie Henderson of New Bern, North Carolina. David was recently appointed High Commissioner for North American by our Chief.

Irish Settlement In Upper Canada

©Kristen McKendry

The continuation of the previous article on Irish Immigration to Upper Canada

Those researching their Henderson roots may find themselves drawn into the related Irish branches of the family. During my own research into the McKendry family, I discovered some interesting tidbits that may be of interest to others and are shared below.

There were three main things that helped Irish immigrants adapt to their new home in Upper Canada (now called Ontario) in the nineteenth century. These three things were their religion, the school system, and the Orange Lodge.

Having neighbours who belonged to one's own familiar religion and who shared a similar Irish background made assimilation much easier for the Irish in Upper Canada than for their cousins in the United States. The Catholic and Anglican churches were well established and the Methodists were cared for by circuit riders - ministers who travelled from congregation to congregation in outlying communities. Often in the records you will find that all the children in one family were baptised all at once—an indication of when the circuit rider came by on his rounds. Permanent stone churches were not built unless there was a full-time preacher and a significant group of regular attendees.

The public or "common" schools in Upper Canada were patterned directly after the Irish school system. This was in great part due to the work of Egerton Ryerson, who established a consistent, consolidated system across Upper Canada. Irish textbooks were used (American ones were banned in 1859) and schools upheld Irish culture and

ethnic identity. When it came to the school system, their English and Scottish neighbours had to adapt to the Irish standards.

The Orange Lodge was a vital part of rural Irish life. Life in the countryside could be isolated and lonely. The winters were long and cold and the only means of transportation through the thick forests was by horse or boat until the railways were built in the mid-1800s. The social network provided by the Orange Lodge filled an important need for the early settlers. The Lodge was established in Ontario as early as the 1820s and by 1860 could claim over 100,000 members. The Lodges tended to be broadly "Protestant" and "British," not just "Irish." Irish settlers could mingle there with their non-Irish neighbours on friendly terms. The Lodge has been described as a place where they held monthly meetings where men in rural areas got together to smoke a few pipes and drink whiskey. These Lodges also provided opportunities to organize the community for work sharing or deciding who should represent the community in government council.

Whiskey was undeniably another important factor in rural life in early Upper Canada. While one cannot perpetuate the stereotype of the "drunken Irish," alcohol consumption was prevalent in the 1840s among Irish and non-Irish alike. Expectedly, Temperance Societies also sprang up to condemn and curb that drinking. These Societies often became the "Lodge" of the women, providing an opportunity to both socialize and organize against the demon drink which lured their men away from family and home. Unfortunately there is

abundant evidence that the McKendrys were not supporters of the Temperance Union.

The Temperance movement was strong by the 1850s and had spread throughout the countryside, where job advertisements in small local newspapers regularly stipulated "None need apply but good sober men."

Little has been written about the impact the Irish have had on Canada. This may be because the Irish Catholics in Canada tended to be less concerned about Irish nationalism and didn't get as caught up in the rebellion movements of the day as their cousins in the U.S. The Fenian movement did not get an enthusiastic reception in Upper Canada and, in fact, one editorial of the time soundly denounced a citizen who had given his hotel an anti-Loyalist name. It was generally easier for the Irish to assimilate in Canada than it was in the United States. All the necessary social systems were already in place to provide a sympathetic environment for the "famine Irish" who, in contrast, were kept from full participation and assimilation in the U.S., where Irish ghettos emerged in the larger cities. Perhaps the Canadian Irish kept a lower profile and adapted smoothly to their new home, so historians took less interest in them and few bothered to write about them. But the Irish immigrants to Upper Canada had and continue to have a strong impact upon Canadian social, political, religious, and educational systems.

The later 1800s were turbulent for Upper Canada. Industrialization put pressure on the farmers to produce cash crops for

sale rather than to farm only for the family's benefit. A small farm might sustain a single family, but it could not produce the kind of surplus needed to compete in a growing market economy. Land which in the 1850s cost four shillings an acre grew more expensive (the 100-acre farm the McKendrys purchased in 1861 is now selling for over \$325,000). Many of the second generation had to hire themselves out as farm hands to work other people's land rather than their own. This was difficult, considering that many of their parents had left Ireland specifically so that they and their children would not have to work on other people's land. A lot of the Irish took up trades, became lumberjacks, or worked on the railroads. Many began to leave in search of work. Many, including our own family, went to Toronto and from there spread out across Canada. Some went to the larger industrialized cities in the United States. Family ties were stretched from north to south and sea to sea.

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Clan Henderson Society of Canada

On January 1, 2003 a new chapter in the evolution of our Henderson Clan began when the Canadian Hendersons launched their own Clan Henderson Society.

By a mutual and amicable agreement, the Clan Henderson Society of the United States and Canada executive and their membership and the Canadian Council of the Society decided that all our members in North America would be best served by having separate Societies in the United States and in Canada.

I am very pleased to report that Canadian support for this new Society has been received from all the regions in Canada and the membership continues to grow daily.

At this time I would personally like to thank all my American cousins in the Clan for their

support and encouragement in this new adventure. Having been a member of the Society for about twelve years I have always enjoyed and appreciated the support and friendship accorded to me by my American friends.

Co-operation is the key word now in our two Societies. Already we continue to collect and share the genealogical information from our members and a common approach to publishing Henderson historical information is agreed upon.

I now invite all members from both Societies to visit with us at our Games and Festivals in Canada. You will always be welcome at the Henderson Tent.

Cairns Henderson

President, Clan Henderson Society of Canada

2003 International Gathering of the Clans in Nova Scotia

Scottish Clans have scheduled their gatherings throughout Nova Scotia during the summer of 2003.

The Clan Henderson events have now been finalized and will be held 3-6 July 2003. These are:

3 July — Banquet in conjunction with the Clan Lamont Society, cost \$30.00 per person. Registration for the banquet is required prior to 15 June 2003 and a registration form will be sent to you upon request.

4 July — The Clan members will attend a performance of the Nova Scotia International Tattoo. Adults \$30.00, seniors over 60 years \$27.00. Seats may be reserved with a Credit card by calling the Metro Centre at (902) 451-1221. I suggest seats in sections 14, 15, 16 or 17 if available.

5 July — Join with Clan members at the Henderson tent at the Halifax Highland Games. Assist us with or participate in our annual Haggis Toss competition.

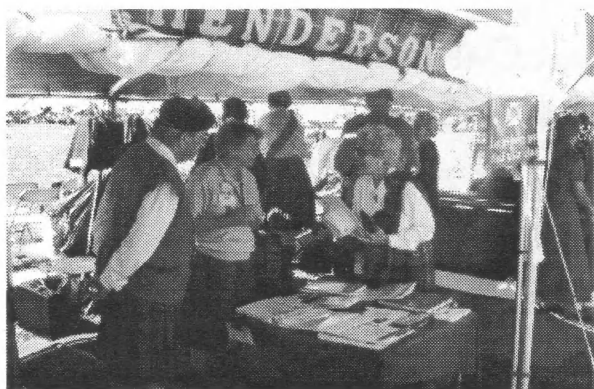
6 July A.M. — All Clans will parade to St. Matthews Church and attend the service and a Kirking o' the Tartans.

In the afternoon, the Clan Henderson members will have a harbour cruise. The cost of this cruise will be approximately \$20.00. Please advise me if you plan to take the cruise.

Following the cruise members may gather at a harbour front restaurant for supper.

Please contact Cairns Henderson for any additional information or assistance. (902) 429-1114. hendercw@eastlink.ca.

Murfreesboro Tennessee



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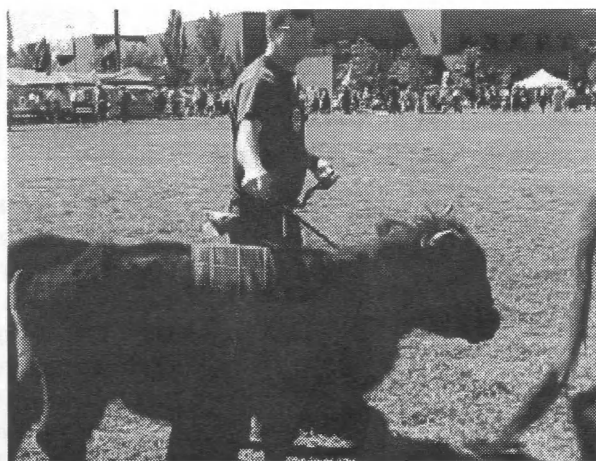
The 7th annual Heart of Tennessee Scottish Celebration opened on a bright note Saturday, 5 October after the passage of Tropical Storm Lili on Friday. The grounds were slightly muddy, but a bright sun and slight breeze quickly dried them out. Visitor turnout was good all day. The Henderson AGM crew arrived early and helped set up the tents for the days activities. Member activities during the day included the Parade of Tartans with Clan Henderson's two Honorary members "Wonder," the red heifer and

"Lilly," the black heifer, Highland Calves. Bill Henderson of New Jersey and Tod McLean of Jen-To Farms were the handlers. All went well, and no one had to use the "Scoop."

During the course of the day, we welcomed three new members, Catherine Lovette Henderson Blank, William C. Freeman, and Kelly Danielle Binkley. All were appropriately welcomed by Cousin Horace.

After the Parade of Tartans, the Clan marched to the AGM meeting tent where the meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and the Clan Chaplain's opening prayer. The meeting was held, officers were elected and David S. Henderson was installed as Chieftain and High Commissioner. After the meeting, the Clan Piper led the Clan in the Walkabout back to the tents and partook of a good meal.

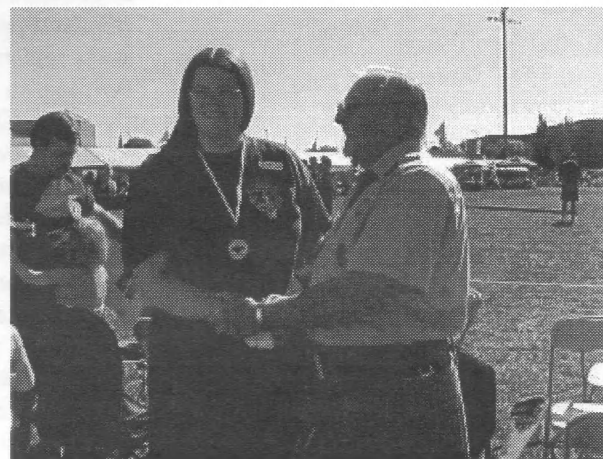
The Clan was well represented by several of the younger folks. Warren Henderson's grand-



daughter Shanna Sortor and great-granddaughters Katerina and Brittany Freeman participated in a Tug-of-War Challenge issued by Clan Wallace. The younger folks prevailed in the best of two out of three pulls and defeated the Challengers. One of the grandchildren, Shanna Sortor, participated in the 13 to 17 year old Haggis throw where she took 1st place.

The Clan was presented the Clan of The Day Plaque for participation and attendance during the award ceremony at the closing ceremony.

After the games were closed, and all the equipment was secured from the field, the meeting was adjourned to the Holiday Inn for the Ceilidh. As usual, a good time was had by all. The meal was excellent, as usual. After the meal, awards were presented to Bettye Phillips, Roy Phillips, Warren Henderson, and Polly Henderson by the president with congrats to all on a good meeting and attendance for the games and AGM. Stories and jokes were told by Beth Gay, Ed Hendricks, and Chaplain Sanford. The Clan Piper entertained with several melodies, and singers presented two renditions of "Danny Boy"; Shanna Sortor sang alone, and then Ed Hendricks, Shanna, Fred Sanford, and Rex Maddox as a quartet. A verrrrry fine rendition in both instances.



From the Chaplain

by the Rev. C. Fred Sanford

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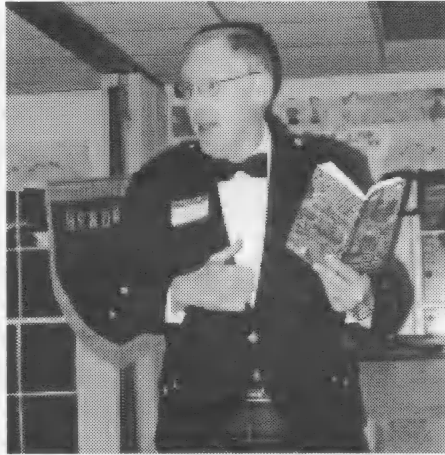
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We live come to the end of another season of Highland Games—at least north of Florida. My position as chaplain has become more defined, having given my report at the Annual General Meeting in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and receiving the support of both officers and members of the society. I've thoroughly enjoyed writing articles for *An Canach*, and hope that my words bring some sense of encouragement to readers who are struggling with spiritual formation; I always place this in the context of the religion and history of Scottish culture. I've also had the opportunity to offer the grace of God at various clan functions, and have corresponded with a number of families who have grieved the loss of Henderson kin. I continue to ask for your help in this matter as time goes on.

So, Peggy and I attended seven Games this year, meeting great people whom we look forward to seeing each year. President Rex has even granted me the opportunity to recite some Robert Burns poetry and, of all things, some colorful passages from the Bible!—allbeit from the “Glasgow

Bible” edited into Scots dialect by Jamie Stuart (St. Andrews Press, 1997). In January I've been invited by Clan Chieftain David Henderson to “Address the Haggis” at a Burns Dinner in New



Bern, North Carolina, following a similar dinner a few days earlier in our church near Charlotte.

My recent study has been with the popular works of Billy Kennedy, a Northern Irish journalist, who has written and compiled histories of the colonial Scots-Irish. He suggests that American independence and the foundation of a free nation would hardly have been so achieved if it were not for Scots-Irish politicians, patriot soldiers, and

even clergymen fighting for the cause. One Scottish Presbyterian clergyman was a signer of the Declaration of Independence. And, no less than seventeen presidents are listed by Mr.

Kennedy to have Scots-Irish, Scottish, or Presbyterian ancestry; they are: Jackson, Polk, Buchanan, A. Johnson, Grant, Arthur, Cleveland, Harrison, McKinley, T. Roosevelt, Wilson, Truman, Nixon, Carter, Clinton, and the two Bushes.

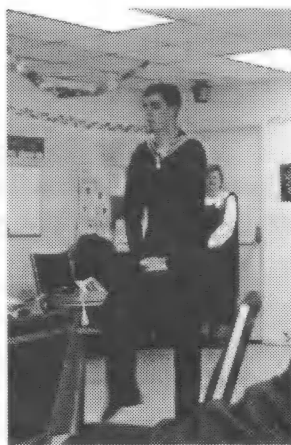
Billy Kennedy is often present at our Scottish Games each year autographing his books (I saw him at two of the Games). His other books follow the Scots-Irish into Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky and beyond. I'm not sure how many Hendersons he includes but he has included a number of their stories into the local histories.

I shall plan to continue my comments on Celtic history and religion, the rise of the Kirk of Scotland and the Covenanters, and the place of the Hendersons in my articles for next year. Thank you for bearing with me and I'll see you at the Games in 2003.

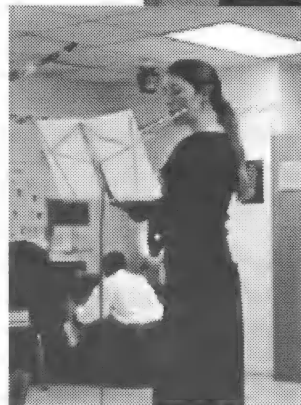
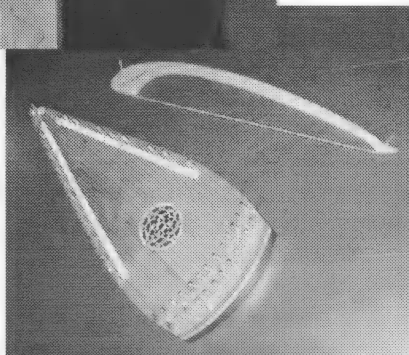
Myrtle May Henderson was born 6 June 1884 near Cedarvale, Kansas, and died 19 June 1967 in Dallas, Oregon. She married Napoleon Bonaparte Jones 2 May 1900 in Dedan, Kansas, son of James Jones And Nancy Matthews.

Notes for Myrtle May Henderson provided by Patti L. Hutterli

“Granny” went to school near Hewins, Kansas and only finished the 5th grade. But at 9 years of age she was the champion speller of the county. The family went to Oklahoma in 1896, to what was then Indian Territory, and it was there that she met the Tallchief family. Mother Tallchief was a widow then but later she married Ne-kah-wah-shen-tunkah, whom granny called one of the finest men she had ever known. He was a chief of the Osage tribe. Myrtle and Clara Tallchief became great friends and when Clara's brother, Eaves, came home from Haskell Institute she found her “first love.” Myrtle was 13 then, and he was 18. Later, when Myrtle was at the Tallchief home, they were sitting on the floor playing cards when the old folks put their cards down, the chief closed his eyes and started chanting. In a minute he opened his eyes, put his hands on Myrtle's head, took her hand in his other hand, and said, “How.” Mother Tallchief did the same and Clara put her arms around Mom and said “Now you are my sister, Eneeupe. They just adopted you and they are your Father and Mother and you must call them that.” From then on they called her daughter and she called them E-nah (Mother) and In-tutse (Father).



December Ceilidh in Alexandria



A grand time
was had by all



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The Clan Henderson Society of the United States of America, Incorporated

Constitution and Bylaws

2002

The Clan Henderson Society of the United States of America, Inc.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I Name and Location

The name of the Society, as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation, shall be "The Clan Henderson Society of the United States of America, Incorporated" (hereafter referred to as Clan Henderson Society or the Clan Society) with headquarters and main office located at New Bern, North Carolina, USA.

ARTICLE II Policy and Operations

Section 1. The Clan Society shall be operated on a nonprofit basis. No net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any of its Officers or members, but shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 in order to further the objectives and purposes for which the Society is created.

Section 2. Clan Henderson exists as a society of Scottish heritage for all Hendersons and their descendants in the family at large. The Clan Henderson is a clan of the name Henderson and its variations. Some of the variations include the Gaelic MacEanruig (pronounced MacEnrick), MacKendrick, MacKendry, Kendrick, MacHendry, MacHenry, Henry, Hendry, Hendrie, Henryson, Henrisoun, Henders (in Ulster) and d'Handresson (in France). Although the modern, less modern, ancient or Gaelic reference to the family name may be used interchangeably, this Society will refer to the family at large by the name of "Henderson".

Section 3. The Clan Henderson "Society" will conduct its affairs in a nonpartisan political manner. Its name or influence will not be used directly or indirectly in the interest of any national, state or municipal political activity.

Section 4. The existence of Clan Henderson shall continue perpetually until the same be lawfully dissolved and upon any dissolution or termination of the Corporation, all assets, after payment of any outstanding debts, should be transferred to a successor corporation or other entity with the same or similar mission and/or objectives. No assets can devolve to the membership or any person.

ARTICLE III Objectives and Purposes

The Clan Henderson Society shall devote its efforts and activities to the aims and purposes generally set forth in the Articles of Incorporation, this Constitution and its Bylaws and to such other supplemental and directive activities, objectives and purposes as may be approved by the Executive Board, including but not limited to:

a. Encouraging cultural activities including the perpetuation of Scottish dress, traditions and customs,

promoting Scottish festivals, games and gatherings in the North American continent and supporting Clan Henderson wherever its members may be found.

b. Promoting charitable and educational activities within Clan Henderson and in so doing, demonstrating fellowship and friendship among kith and kin and towards all clans and all peoples.

c. Promoting the learning of and the participation in the history, arts and literature of Scotland.

d. Assisting the membership in their genealogical research, developing both the individual families and the hereditary connections between them. Tracing the emigrations and finally the establishment of families in the traditional homelands.

e. Encouraging travel to Scotland and promoting mutual understanding through opportunities for family visitation and exchange of young people through the family home-stay environment.

f. Promoting such other activities as the Executive Board may determine will be in the best interests of the Clan Henderson Society.

ARTICLE IV General Form of Organization

Section 1. The Clan Henderson Society was formed under the guidance of the Council of Scottish Clans and Associations, Inc. and authorized to organize and exist by the Chief of the Name and Arms of Henderson, Dr. John William Philp Henderson of Fordell.

Section 2. The general control and management of the property and affairs of the Clan Society will be vested in its Executive Board which shall determine all policy matters involving the conduct of the Society.

Section 3. The Executive Board shall consist of the elected officers, the immediate past President and the regional commissioners.

Section 4. At all times when the Executive Board is not in session, the elected Officers of the Society will administer its affairs. These officers shall act under the direction of the President, who shall perform such actions as deemed necessary for the conduct of the Clan Society's business and subject to such restrictions and guidelines as may be directed by the Executive Board and the Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE V Officers

Section 1. The elected officers of the Clan Henderson Society shall be a President, Vice President, Vice President/General Counsel, Recording Secretary, Membership Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2. The remainder of the Clan Henderson Society officers shall be appointed as provided in the Bylaws.

Section 3. The election of officers will be conducted during the annual business meeting held during even numbered years. The term of office for all elected Officers shall be for a period of two years, which shall begin on January 1 of the year following the election.

ARTICLE VI Membership

Section 1. Any Henderson descendant or descendant of a family name variation who is Scottish born or who is a lineal descendant of, is married to or has been married to a person who was or is believed to be of Scottish ancestry and can support the policies and objectives of the Clan Society, may become an active member of the Clan Henderson Society upon submission of a membership form and payment of dues. All persons submitting these forms are welcome equally to become active members and each membership is considered to be a family group including children under age 18.

Section 2. Persons living outside the United States who qualify under the provisions of section 1 may apply for membership and, upon payment of annual dues, become a member with all privileges.

ARTICLE VII Constitution and Amendments

Section 1. This constitution and bylaws shall be effective upon approval by a two third majority of the Executive Board and subsequently approved by a majority of the members present and attending the annual general meeting of the Clan Society where the documents are submitted for modification.

Section 2. This constitution and bylaws may be amended at any regular business meeting of Clan Society members by a majority vote of those members present, provided such majority constitutes a quorum as provided for in the Bylaws. Any proposed amendment must be submitted in writing to an elected officer and, subsequent to approval by the Executive Board, will be provided to the membership by publishing in an issue of An Canach, should time permit, prior to a general meeting where a vote is to be taken.

The Clan Henderson Society of the United States of America, Inc. BYLAWS

BYLAW I

Title

The name of this organization shall be The Clan Henderson Society of the United States of America, Incorporated, hereafter referred to as Clan Henderson or the Society.

Background

Henderson family members attending the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in North Carolina during the summer of 1986 formed the Clan Henderson Society. Doctor John William Philp Henderson, Chief of the Name and Arms of Henderson of Fordell, recognized and so designated by the Lord Lyon, was petitioned by David S. Henderson of New Bern, NC on behalf of the persons who had gathered at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games to receive his permission to form a Scottish Clan Henderson in the United States. Doctor Henderson gave his permission to form a Clan Henderson in the United States on 22 September 1986. Subsequent to receiving this permission, members of the family Henderson petitioned the Council of Scottish Clans and Associations for membership as the Clan Henderson

Society. This membership was granted on 1 April 1988. The Henderson family members met again at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in July 1988 for the purpose of establishing the Clan Henderson Society of the United States. A subsequent letter from Doctor Henderson to the elected President of the Clan Society, Walter "Toby" Parrish of Nashville, Tennessee, suggested extending the Society's membership to include Canada. The Executive Board approved this move and the name of the organization was therefore established as the

"CLAN HENDERSON SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA".

Subsequent to the above action, at the annual general meeting of the Clan Society in 2002, the name of the organization was changed to reflect the establishment of an autonomous Society by both the US and Canadian memberships. Approval for a name change by both organizations was received from the Chief, those members present at the annual meeting, and became

"CLAN HENDERSON SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA".

By this action, a modification of the Constitution and Bylaws was needed and this iteration is submitted to fulfill the requirement.

Doctor John William Philp Henderson, Chief of the Name and Arms of Henderson of Fordell, is the Clan Society's patron. He has seen fit to designate a Clan member as his representative in North America and has designated this person as the High Commissioner of North America. The position of High Commissioner holds no office in the Clan Society, however this person's counsel is normally sought on matters of importance and he relates the Chiefs thoughts on various topics to the Clan Society.

BYLAW II

Policy and Operations

Section 1. Policy. The Clan Henderson shall be a nonprofit society. No revenues of Clan Henderson shall inure to the benefit of any of its officers or members, but shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 in order to further the objectives and purposes for which the Clan Henderson Society is created.

Section 2. Politics. Clan Henderson will conduct its affairs in a non-partisan political manner. Its name or influence will not be used directly or indirectly in the interest of any national, state or municipal political activity.

Section 3. Responsibilities. The officers and the membership of the Clan Henderson Society shall be responsible for the administration, finances and activities of the organization.

Section 4. Dissolution. If this corporation is either dissolved or terminated, for any reason, all assets, after payment of any debts, will be transferred to a successor corporation or entity that practices the same mission as the Clan Henderson Society. No assets can devolve to the membership or other person of the corporation.

BYLAW III

Objectives and Purpose

Clan Henderson shall devote its efforts and activities to the aims and purposes generally set forth in these Bylaws and to such other supplemental directives as established by the Executive Board, including, but not limited to the following:

a. Encouraging cultural activities including the perpetuation of Scottish dress, traditions and customs, promoting Scottish festivals, games and gatherings in North America and supporting the Clan Henderson Society wherever its members may be found.

b. Promoting charitable and educational activities within the Clan Henderson Society and in so doing, demonstrating fellowship and friendship among kith and kin, and towards

all clans and all people.

c. Developing an educational interest in the history, arts, and literature of Scotland.

d. Assisting the membership in their genealogical research, developing both the individual families and the hereditary connections between them. Tracing the emigrations and finally the establishment of families in the traditional homelands.

e. Encouraging travel to Scotland and promoting mutual understanding through opportunities for, family visitation and exchange of young people through the family home-stay environment.

f. Researching, recording and perpetuating an understanding of the history of the Clan Henderson.

g. Promoting such other activities as the Executive Board may determine will be in the best interests of the Clan Henderson Society and its members.

BYLAW IV

Geographical Area

The Clan Henderson Society of the United States is designed for a membership from the United States of America, although membership may be worldwide in scope. This area will be divided into regions based upon geography and membership and the division will be subject to change from time to time.

BYLAW V

Membership

Section 1. Eligibility. Any Henderson descendant or other person interested in the aims, objectives and purposes of the Clan Henderson Society, as set forth in these Bylaws, are eligible for membership. Any corporation or association or other legal entity of any kind may apply for membership but will have no vote in Clan Society business matters.

Section 2. Classes. Membership in the Clan Henderson Society will be of four classes: active, inactive, corporate, and honorary. Each membership will be considered to be inclusive of a family group. Corporate memberships may include partnerships or any other legal entity that has been approved for membership by the Executive Board.

a. An active member is defined as a Henderson descendant or any other person living in the world at large who is Scottish born or who is a lineal descendant of; is married to or has been married to a person who was or is believed to be of Scottish ancestry and can support the policies and objectives of the Clan Henderson Society. This individual may become an active member of Clan Henderson upon submission of a membership form and payment of dues.

b. An inactive member is defined as any member that has failed to maintain active member status by payment of annual dues. This individual will not represent the Clan Henderson Society in any way.

c. A corporate member is a recognized corporation, partnership, business, group or other legal entity that has been approved for membership by the Executive Board.

d. An honorary member is defined as any person who is identified by the Executive Board to be honored by membership in the Clan Henderson Society. This category will include any individual who is being recognized for a specific action or trait that will or has brought about credible recognition of the Clan Society. An honorary member who pays annual dues will become an active member on the membership rolls and be liable for annual renewal.

Section 3. Privileges. Classes of membership shall define membership privileges.

a. Active members, except honorary and corporate, may participate in Clan Henderson activities, vote in elections, hold office and receive official Clan Henderson publications.

b. Inactive members may not vote in elections, hold office, represent the Clan in any way, nor receive official Clan Henderson publications. However, they may regain active member status upon payment of annual dues.

c. Corporate members may designate a representative or representatives (not to exceed two) to participate in Clan activities and to receive Clan Henderson publications, but such representative may not vote or hold office.

d. Honorary members are those persons designated by the Executive Board for special recognition. They may participate in Clan activities and receive official Clan Henderson publications, but may not vote or hold office.

Section 4. Membership Term. An active membership shall remain in force so long as the member maintains a current status by payment of annual dues. Inactive members will remain on the membership rolls in a separate status and may be reinstated as active members upon their payment of dues. Honorary members continue in that status indefinitely until relieved of that title by action of the Executive Board or payment of annual dues. Each membership shall be renewable annually or as specified by the Executive Board for each organization or group accepted as a corporate member.

BYLAW VI

Officers

Section 1. Elected Officers. The elected officers of Clan Henderson shall be a President, Vice President, Vice President/General Counsel, Recording Secretary,

Membership Secretary and Treasurer. The positions of Secretary, either Recording or Membership, and Treasurer may be combined.

Section 2. Commissioned Officers. Members who are nominated by the President for appointment to the position of Regional Commissioner, with the approval of the Executive Board, are subsequently commissioned by the President. Once the individual has been commissioned, he is authorized by the High Commissioner of North America to wear a single eagle feather in his bonnet as his "Badge of Office." This appointment and commission are to remain in effect until rescinded by the President or is resigned by the individual who has received the commission.

Section 3. Appointed Officers of Clan Henderson Society shall include but not be limited to the Clan Piper, Clan Chaplain, Clan Bard, Head of the Bodyguard, Historian, Quartermaster, Youth Activities Director, Genealogist, and the Editor, *An Canach*. These Officers shall serve at the pleasure of the current President, for a normal term of two years.

Section 4. Executive Board. The Executive Board shall consist of the current elected officers, the immediate past President and the Commissioned Officers as voting members. The High Commissioner of North America shall serve as an ex-officio (non-voting) member of the Executive Board. The Executive Board shall have the power to act in the name of the Society in situations requiring decision before the next scheduled meeting of the Society.

Section 5. Status and Powers. The elected and commissioned officers enumerated above shall be the decision body of Clan Henderson and shall govern in accordance with these Bylaws.

Section 6. Term of Office. Elected officers shall serve for a term of two years. The term of office shall be from 1 January of the year following election until 31 December two years later. Should an elected officer be unable to complete a term of office, the Executive Board shall select a replacement.

Section 7. Duties of Elected Officers.

a. The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Clan Henderson Society. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Clan, all meetings of the Executive Board, and all special meetings. The President shall designate for appointment all officers as specified in section 2 and 3 above. While the duties are implied by the position, the President is responsible specifically for regular contact with the Chief of Clan Henderson, the Tanist and the High Commissioner of North America while ensuring the perpetuation of the Clan Henderson Society of the United States and the active accomplishment of Clan Henderson Society objectives and purposes as set forward in the Constitution.

b. The Vice President is the Chief Operating Officer of Clan Henderson. Specifically, the Vice President is

responsible for coordination of Clan Henderson membership activities and its participation in Scottish events. The Vice President shall perform such duties as delegated by the President. In the absence, disability, or death of the President, as determined by the Board or by written communication from the President, the Vice President shall perform the duties and fulfill the responsibilities of the President until such time as the President returns to office or until a successor is elected.

c. The Vice President/General Counsel is the Chief Legal Officer of the Clan Henderson Society. Specifically, the Vice President/General Counsel shall ensure the legal sufficiency of Clan Henderson activities, provide for the incorporation of the Clan Henderson Society and represent the Clan Henderson as required in all matters of the law.

d. The Recording Secretary will record the minutes of any meetings, conduct official correspondence for the society, and keep the official records of the organization. This position will be responsible for the preparation of all mass mailings to the membership. The recording Secretary will perform other duties as considered necessary and specified by the President or the Executive Board.

e. The Membership Secretary will be responsible for maintaining the Society membership rolls. This position will also be responsible for initial contact by mail with new members by providing them with Clan Society information. The Secretary will maintain membership in the Council of Scottish Clans and Associations. The membership Secretary will perform other duties as considered necessary and specified by the President or the Executive Board.

f. The Treasurer shall be the official custodian of the funds of Clan Henderson. The Treasurer will receive all dues, pay all bills, maintain the accounting of receipts and disbursements and shall submit annually the Clan Henderson financial records, funds and accounts for audit.

Section 8. Duties of Commissioned Officers. The Regional Commissioners shall have full administrative responsibility for the activities of Clan Henderson within their designated geographical area or Region, specifically the growth and involvement of its membership in Clan activities and Scottish events. Regional Commissioners will participate in the Executive Board's deliberations to determine the support needed within each region and to coordinate with the Vice President on events, the Membership Secretary for regional membership matters, the Treasurer for operating funds and the Editor of *An Canach* for publicity. Regional Commissioners may appoint Officers or Deputies within the region consistent with the elected and appointed officer positions specified within the basic Clan structure; to include state conveners, games conveners and any other position considered necessary to the proper management of the Region. The Regional Commissioner will advise the Executive Board of all appointments to Region offices. The Regional Commissioner shall coordinate with the Head of the Bodyguard when nominating members of the region for

bodyguard positions of leadership. The Regional Commissioner is responsible for attendance at the Scottish/Celtic events held within the Region and will submit a report on each games or festival to the Vice President, Membership Secretary and Treasurer at the conclusion of the event. The Regional Commissioner shall also be responsible for submitting to the Awards Committee, nominations of youths who have provided outstanding individual performance in support of Clan activities, for monetary awards to support continuing training or education in Scottish or Celtic music, dance, or athletics. Nominees may include children of members and those members under the age of 21.

Section 9. Duties of Appointed Officers.

a. The Piper will coordinate the piping activities of Clan Henderson, gather and maintain a listing of proficient pipers that may be contacted to provide pipe music; promote interest and education in playing the pipes; support Clan Henderson gatherings and ceilidhs as possible, and provide for regular publication of articles on piping in *An Canach*.

b. The Chaplain will provide spiritual guidance and prayer for Clan Henderson as requested, serve as a focal point to inform the membership of information relative to sacred matters, and provide articles for regular publication in *An Canach*.

c. The Bard shall provide a cultural base for Clan Henderson, by increasing awareness and appreciation of the Scottish Arts, Poetry and Literature, Scottish Legends and Folktales. The Bard shall encourage members to develop individual skills in the Arts, provide for the development of storytelling as a way to perpetuate both Scottish lore and Clan Henderson lore, develop a collection of Henderson lore and works of art, establish a network of artisans, storytellers and performers, and display this facet of Clan Henderson at Scottish gatherings and Ceilidhs whenever possible. The essences of this officer's duties are creative and the duties will therefore be flexible.

d. The Head of the Bodyguard will be responsible for the proper ceremonial procedures at gatherings, parades, processions, weddings, funerals and other activities of the Clan Henderson Society that may have traditional procedures. The Head of the Bodyguard will establish a Bodyguard within Clan Henderson so that the Regional Commissioners will have assistance in ceremonial procedures. The Bodyguard will assist state and local Conveners at Games and Gatherings and ensure guidance is provided for proper parade and other ceremonial functions. The Bodyguard will be present at any function attended by the Chief, the Tanist or a Chieftain.

e. The Historian shall conduct and coordinate historical research into Clan Henderson including study of ancestral lands, through the various emigrations, and into the present. In conjunction with the Genealogist, the Historian shall provide for the modern study of Clan Henderson, provide for regular publication in *An Canach*, and develop displays

for the Clan tents at games and festivals.

f. The Quartermaster will be responsible for ordering, inventory and maintenance of Clan articles to include clothing, badges, pins, tartan material and other items that have a relationship to the Clan Henderson. The Quartermaster will be responsible for ensuring Regional Commissioners are supplied with items or goods for sale at the events they attend. He will transfer inventory items to the Regional Commissioner who then will become responsible for remitting any monies collected from the sale of items or goods to the Treasurer.

g. The Youth Activities Director will be responsible for ensuring that the juvenile members of Clan Henderson are provided the opportunity to engage in Scottish and other Celtic events as dancers, musicians, athletes, writers and other artistic endeavors.

h. The Genealogist shall receive, catalog, and maintain genealogical records on the various member families; encourage and provide assistance for individual genealogical research, and provide for regular publication of information relative to this area through *An Canach*.

i. The Editor of the Clan Society newsletter, *An Canach*, shall serve as the Public Affairs Officer and Director of Communications to keep the membership informed, maintain liaison with other publications and Clan Societies, provide for regular publication of *An Canach* and oversee all official Clan Henderson publications. He will inform other publications of Clan activities that are of general interest and items that tend to promote awareness of the Clan and its activities.

BYLAW VII

Fiscal and Financial Matters

Section 1. Membership Dues and Fees. The Executive Board shall establish membership dues and fees from time to time. The Executive Board shall also determine the need for additional fees, which may have to be assessed against members for support of regional activities and other requirements. Basic dues will be established to determine annual membership

Section 2. Other Contributions. When donations are provided to the treasurer by members of the Clan to support the work of Clan Henderson Society or to the Clan in the form of valuables such as Henderson memorabilia, all items must be accounted for and properly secured. The Treasurer will maintain liquid assets in donation accounts. Donations will be properly acknowledged and authenticated and physical property will be stored as required.

Section 3. Regional Activities. All Regional Commissioners will establish a budget for the operation of their region, based upon active membership levels, and submit their budget proposal to the Treasurer by 1 November of each year. They will provide a record of expenditures, both in their annual

and event reports and for the purpose of future budgetary planning.

Section 4. Calendar Year Record Keeping. Clan Henderson Society books shall be maintained on a calendar year basis.

BYLAW VIII

Meetings

Section 1. Clan Henderson Society Annual General Meetings. The time and place of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall be determined at the AGM held in even numbered years. The specific site will be selected for each of the next two year's meetings and voted upon by attending members.

Section 2. Special Meetings. Special meetings may be called by the President or upon written request of five members of the Board. The call for any special meeting must state the business to be transacted; no business shall be transacted except that for which the meeting was called. Special meetings may be conducted by telephone, letter, or Email.

Section 3. Quorum. Twelve members of the active membership shall constitute a quorum at an AGM, but at no time shall the lack of a quorum at an AGM prevent those present from proceeding with the program agenda.

Section 4. Elections. The President shall appoint a nominating committee prior to the annual meeting for which an election is scheduled. This committee will provide the Executive Board with a proposed slate of officers that will be published in *An Canach* prior to the election, along with election information. The election shall take place at the AGM held in even-numbered years unless otherwise directed by the Executive Board. Nominations for any office may be submitted in writing or from the floor during the meeting. A majority of votes cast at the meeting will constitute a quorum of Clan Henderson and a valid election.

Section 5. Executive Board. Meetings of the Executive Board will take place at least annually at the call of the President. Meetings may be by post, by Email, or conducted by telephone.

BYLAW IX

Committees

Section 1. General. Standing committees shall be approved for formation by the Executive Board and serve as an extension of that body for the purpose of providing recommendations for consideration. The Chair will be appointed by the President, with committee members selected by the Chair. The Chair of any committee will be an ex-officio member of the board who is cognizant of the purpose for which the committee was established.

Section 2. Standing Committees. Standing Committees, with assigned responsibilities, are constituted as follows:

a. Awards Committee. Responsibilities:

1) Develops and recommends to the Executive Board the policies and actions concerning initiation and implementation of an awards program for Clan Henderson.

2) Prepares and recommends a total awards program including the development of criteria, nomination procedures and methods of recognition. Coordinates this program with other Clan Henderson Societies, as they exist around the world and with the Chief of Clan Henderson through the High Commissioner of North America.

3) Serves as the awards board for the purpose of evaluating individual nominations for Clan Henderson Society awards.

4) Arranges appropriate presentation ceremonies and publicity.

b. History Committee. Responsibilities:

1) Coordinates the overall effort to locate the genealogical and historical records of the surname Henderson, both as a family name and as a Clan across Scotland and the world.

2) Provides for the security and storage of archival materials for Clan Henderson.

3) Prepares and maintains a written history of the Clan and publishes an updated version of the history of the Clan for the membership, with distribution as required.

4) Provides for the recognition of dates of historical significance to the Clan.

c. Membership Committee. Responsibilities:

1) Organizes membership drives and campaigns for new members and membership renewals, supporting regional commissioners in their efforts.

2) Recommends policies pertaining to membership and the Clan dues structure.

3) Supports the Membership Secretary in handling membership administration.

d. Public Affairs Committee. Responsibilities

1) Present the activities of Clan Henderson to the membership through regular publications.

2) Coordinates Clan recognition through the various Scottish media and ensures the involvement of Clan Henderson in other Scottish Societies and the Council of Scottish Clans and Associations.

3) Serves as the editorial board for *An Canach*.

Section 3. Special Committees. The President is authorized to appoint special committees to perform limited tasks of a temporary nature. The President will appoint the Chairperson.

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Dottie Henderson
Recording Secretary

APPROVED:

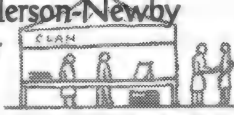
Rex A. Maddox
President



Games, Festivals, and Gatherings



**North Pacific Region
Dixie Fae Henderson-Newby
Commissioner**



**Spokane Highland Games
3 August 2002
by Dixie Henderson-Newby**

What an absolutely perfect day to have the games! The weather turned out sunny and breezy with temps around 78°. Our tent was located under a nice shade tree and across from one of the pipe competition areas. We were able to watch some of our friends from Shadle Park High School (wearing the Henderson tartan) playing the pipes.

We had many visitors and family members drop by and visit for a while. Must have been the animal crackers and ice water we had on hand! A total of seventeen folks took membership forms with them, including a lady from Ontario, Canada, whose daughter was competing in the dances. I was thankful to have a current Canadian membership form to send with her. Cousin Victor Schiedler came by from the Fort Vancouver Pipe Band wearing the State of Washington tartan kilt as part of his uniform. We enjoyed hearing the meaning of the particular colors in the kilt.

Our clan tent was a very busy place during most of the day, as students and friends from Shadle Park H.S., Angus Scott Pipe Band and The Spokane Scottish Youth Society dropped by to chat and look over our family history material. We were also visited by Harry and Diane McAlister of Seattle, WA. They asked me to pass along their hellos and well wishes to Rex and Pat.

Spokane is a smaller sized event but it has that close knit community feeling which makes it larger by comparison. We all had a wonderful time and look forward to convening there in August of next year.

**South West Region
Buzz' McEldowney
Commissioner**



**Longs Peak Scottish Highland
Festival And Games
By Dennis and Pam Young
Conveners**

This annual event in Estes Park, Colorado is in its 26th year. The festival, held on 5-8 September 2002, attracted about 60,000 people. At 7,500 feet with the sunny days and clear mountain air, surrounded by the Rocky Mountains, it is truly a magical place. Hearing the music of the bagpipe as it floats through the mountains into the cool night air is an experience not to be missed.

This year, the festival was being called the "Celebration of Anniversaries" because it marked the town of Estes Park's 75th birthday, Canada's 125th, and for the Scots Guards 350 years as an active military unit.

The three-day admission fee of \$34 included entertainment, a gathering of the clans, dance competitions and exhibitions, music exhibitions, athletic competitions, performances from bagpipe and drum bands, jousting exhibitions, the Dogs of the British Isles, and men's and women's Scottish athletic competitions. There were also numerous international guest performers, as well as food and beverage vendors and merchants.

A special congratulation goes out to our young "adopted" Henderson, Lindsey Parker, who won first place in both the Scotch Measure and the Lilt for dancers under the age of 13. Clan Henderson is very proud of you Lindsey. Job well done!

Clan Henderson members turned out in numbers, and in their finest, for the Parade of Clans and Tartans in downtown Estes Park on Saturday, continued



Rex Cornwell, Dave Fritchie, Kevin Henderson, Buzz McEldowney, Dennis Young, Aaron Holder, and Robert Henderson at Long's Peak.

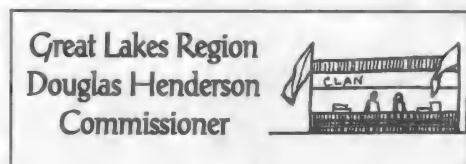
7 September. The parade, one of the city's largest, draws an enormous number of people. Observers can be found six-deep on both sides of the street hours before the parade begins. Clan Henderson's reward for its efforts this year was the trophy for the "Best Large Clan" in the parade! We're very proud!

Clan Henderson enjoyed a very successful event with over 100 visitors stopping by its tent to register and to obtain further information about the Clan. We also had seven new members enroll and twelve membership renewals paid. We were honored by a visit from Bob Henderson, retired Southwest Commissioner, and his wife Mary. We also had the opportunity to speak with Kevin Henderson and his wife Lori. Kevin came from Valley Falls, Kansas again this year to be a part of the athletic competitions.

We would also like to thank Henderson Clan Piper John R. Bergquist, and members of the El Jebel Shrine Temple Pipes and Drums, for visiting the Henderson Clan tent several times over the weekend and perform for the crowds and us. As always, we are indebted to you for all you do for Clan Henderson.

A big thank you also goes out to Buzz McEldowney who did a splendid job during his first year as Southwest Region Commissioner. Although Buzz had big shoes to fill, we believe retired Commissioner Robert H. "Bob" Henderson made an outstanding decision when he recommended Buzz for the position.

A great time was had by all again this year. There is something for everyone at the games and we would love to have you join us next year.



Wisconsin Scottish Games
30 August–1 September 2002
 By Douglas A. Henderson

We all had a nice sunny Labor Day weekend here in Waukesha, Wisconsin for the

First Annual Wisconsin Scottish Games and Celtic Fling.

In addition to the sporting events and the pipe band competitions, there were about twenty Clan tents present. There were also early American settler tents. They demonstrated how settlers and fur traders lived in the early 1800s in Wisconsin, and showed their tools, cooking pots and utensils.

Another group did a presentation on the knights and their armor. The group called "A Knight to Remember" does this for events and schools. They explain the history of the knights and showed putting on the armor (dispelling rumors about the weight) and then mounted a horse with a long lance. We received the modern term freelance from the knights, as they usually worked for the highest bidder to help pay for their armor, horses and lifestyle.

We performed the Parade of Tartans on Saturday and Sunday. The Governor of Wisconsin joined us in the parade on Sunday. He spoke a little on his Scottish ancestry (McCallum).

We had several guests sign the register, but no new members. They were given member registration forms to fill out and send in.

Visit the website www.wisconsin.scottish.org for more information. We hope to see you all next year.



Alexandria Scottish
Heritage Fair
28 September 2002

by Leon Hicks



Colin Chatfield (above) and his sister Susan (right) tried on the armor and weapons of knights. Later they watched knights re-enact combat at the Scottish Heritage Fair.

It was a very pleasant day albeit windy. As usual the Henderson tent was in the optimum location for good music. It was next to the music festival tent. Greg Hicks was entertaining on-lookers with both the bagpipes and his highland dancing. Greg is a student of Susan Wamsley's Something Scottish Highland Dance group and participated in their demonstrations. Several friends of the Clan and Clan members visited our tent. It was particularly pleasing to see Harry Hogan of Washington D.C. We had a spirited and intellectually stimulating discussion on the topic of Scottish settlers in the United States and the influence of the rebellion of 1745 on the American Civil War. Mike Henderson helped to run the tent, and even though his wife Joan did not attend, Mike's presence was still appreciated. Russ Henderson, editor of the "An Canach" was there entertaining his grand children. Courtenay Hicks also visited the tent along with his son Justin who will be the ripe old age of one on October 5th. Jeff Henderson also visited our tent. He and Mike were also there in their capacity as members of the St. Andrew's Society. It was great to welcome a new member Julie Henderson from Lorton, Virginia, and to see other good members of our clan; the Chatfields of Alexandria and Marla Bright also of Alexandria. A special debt of gratitude to Ann Hicks (my wife) for being there and helping to run the tent.

The Alexandria Heritage Festival, even though small in comparison to most Scottish or Celtic festivals, is a very



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pleasant family-oriented event to attend. Henderson Clan members who are instrumental in the success of this event are: Christian Garin who is very influential in planning of this event and Linda and Ron MacDonald who are key planners and administrators. Much of the festival is focused on a variety of Scottish animals (cattle, sheep, goats, ponies, etc.), and there are many varieties of dogs. There is lots of good music and number of interesting demonstrations such as sword fighting and blacksmithing. This event also served as a good Clan Henderson planning session for the Christmas Walk on 7 December. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Celtic Classic Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

Scottish Heritage Festival Holmdel, New Jersey

28 and 29 September 2002

by William E. Henderson

This is always a busy weekend with two area events. Saturday we were in historic Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Joining in the Tartan Parade were Kathryn Joyce and Janet Laidlaw – wearing their brand-new kilts made for them from Henderson tartan material they had ordered from the clan—along with their proud parents Allen and Charlotte Henderson. Among the many visitors to our booth were the new membership secretary Carol Maley and Don and Sue Henderson from Delaware.

This is a huge event with four large venues offering continuous Celtic musical entertainment as well as a large field with athletic and pipe band competition.

Sunday we were at the much smaller Scottish Heritage Festival at the Arts Center in Holmdel, New Jersey. Members gathering at the clan tent included Bob Henderson and Kim and Scott Henderson—faithfuls from New Jersey; Heather Henderson and her three sons from New York City; and David Mark Henderson from Maryland.

Hopefully we will be able to convene both days in Bethlehem

as well as continue our clan presence at Holmdel.

Radford Highland Games

By Christian Garin

This was my second visit convening the Games at Radford. It had not started very well, with a long seven hour drive in pouring rain on Friday night, for what should have been a mere four hour trip, had it not been for the infamous Interstate 81 being shut down twice because of two deadly trucking incidents. Saturday came way too fast, and I set up the tent under foggy conditions, and after a half night sleep. The weather cleared rather quickly and in little time, the place was busier than ever. This place continues to grow larger and larger and has an atmosphere that I continue to appreciate, despite the long journey to and from.

The place was familiar, with many vendor friends, whom I had the opportunity to visit early in the morning. Nineteen clans were represented, and Clan Henderson held the number one prime spot, where incoming foot traffic had to funnel through around the corner of the field to access the vendor and entertainment area. By mid-morning, our new members and cousins, Tom, Stephanie and son Mathew Henderson of Woodbridge, Virginia had joined the Clan and participated in the opening ceremonies bearing their new Henderson T-shirts. Joining us at the parade were the Maples family, who kindly offered to share their lunch with me. Many thanks for the smoked turkey legs.



William Henderson with Kathryn Joyce, Janet Laidlaw, Charlotte and Allen Henderson—note the brand-new tartan dresses.

The day went by rather fast, with many friends visiting, and when things got slow, there were always the COSCA cards to be filled out that brought a steady flow of visitors to the Henderson tent. It got to a point around mid-day that the campus became almost too crowded.

The real blessing of the day was Jim Henderson, of nearby Christiansburg, Virginia, who visited for a second time that day, having missed me the first time, and helping with the closing of the tent and the packing of the truck. Somehow, out of the blue, miracles always seem to happen at the Henderson tent. Thank you Jim!

The question for next year will be Radford vs. Anne Arundel, Maryland. We always seem to miss Anne Arundel, near Annapolis, and a fine event indeed. I would consider doing it next year, but would need someone in Southwestern Virginia to host the Radford Games. Any takers?

Williamsburg Scottish Festival and Celtic Celebration 21-22 September 2002

by Christian Garin

After a Friday night and one of the best receptions with a great selection of food and free bar at a nearby Williamsburg Hotel, I started Saturday under a thin layer of fog. Because of the heavy rain and poor drainage conditions experienced over the last two years, the Game area had been moved to higher grounds. It had been a juggling act for me to be there in Williamsburg, convening for Clan Henderson, while the Alexandria Scottish Heritage Fair, of which I am a

Council Member, was being held on the same day. As usual, I managed to delegate my Heritage Fair duties, and started my day in Williamsburg with a smile on my face and high expectations of a great turn out under beautiful sunshine. The Games turned out to be fairly low key, with no new members and only one membership form going home with Jason and Elizabeth Henderson of Williamsburg, two potential new members visiting towards the end of the day. To my delight, members Dudley and Sharon Lewis, also



Hendersons on parade

from Williamsburg, visited in the early afternoon.

We had hoped for dry weather in Williamsburg; but the day turned out a little "too dry" maybe! But despite the low turn out, it was great to visit with my neighbors and fellow clans members, many friendly faces I visited at these games during my first season as a convenor. And so the Henderson's once again were proudly present, alive and well.

Richmond Highland Games 26-27 October 2002

By Christian Garin

The Richmond Games are always the last ones of the season for me, and the weather never seems to be the same from one year to another. You leave for Richmond one day and never knowing what to pack for the next. I suffered for poor decisions made two years in a row. My luck turned this time. Both Saturday and Sunday were short sleeve weather days, though the sun sure took a long time to reach over the treetops at the edge of the forest where our clan tent was located this year.

Fifty-eight clans and societies were present, and a good selection of vendors at hand to keep the crowd happy. Entertainment was also very good I understand, but I

had to wait for the Saturday night Ceilidh to appreciate it.

With Pat Maddox running the COSCA table, and Rex Maddox, Leon Hicks and me at hand, we were busy both days. Many old friends came by to visit and help, and many new ones joined us. New members included Joseph "Tony" Henderson, of Richmond, Virginia; Mark and Shelley Sledge and family, of Sandston, Virginia; James and Heather Kunka of Moseley, Virginia; James and Terry Cavet of Richmond; and Connie Gibas of Richmond. They all soon learned what the hospitality of our tent was all about. Other members visiting included Richard and Mary Bartelt, of Appomattox, Virginia; Tim Clonts and wife Mary of Richmond; James Henderson of Traverse City, Michigan; Ed and Joyce Henderson of Richmond; Haskel Henderson and family of Gloucester, Virginia; Scott Henderson of Mechanicsville, Virginia; Norman and Joann Henderson of Montpelier, Virginia; Trey Shelton of Sandston, Virginia; Lawson Shelton of Richmond; and Mary Henderson Miller of Colonial Heights, Virginia. And so once again, the Clan Henderson tent was for many a "comfy home" away from home.

Sunday came and went and many members returned for a second day, and

helped restock the coolers (thank you!). Did I mention the visit by Beverly Cochrane, from the Richmond St. Andrew Society, who presented us with a trophy earned earlier in the year as Best Clan Tent at the Hanover Game. Eventually, things came to an end, and we all toasted with mixed feelings to a long and fun season gone by, and a well-deserved rest and break to come. Special thanks to Tony Henderson and Tim Clonts for helping us take down the tent and pack the old truck.

Special thanks also to Tim and Mary Clonts, and Connie Gibas for their



generous accommodations and Southern hospitality that helped perpetuate the spirit of the Hendersons.

**Mid Central Region
Charles B. Henderson
Commissioner**



Second Annual St. Louis Scottish Games & Cultural Festival

By Charles B. Henderson

The Second Annual St. Louis Scottish Games & Cultural Festival on 11-12 October was a wonderful showcase for Clan Henderson in the Midwest. Once again, the setting was in Forest Park, one of the largest urban parks in the United States. The weather was perfect for both the Friday evening ceremonies, which included a torchlight ceremony, the



At the tent in Williamsburg, Virginia



Charles Henderson in St. Louis

calling of the clans, and a ceilidh, and the main events on Saturday.

At the torchlight ceremony, I gave a bold proclamation (the basic text courtesy of Rex Maddox) in my best Scottish accent, and danced around the circle of torches with representatives from some thirty-seven other Clans.

Thanks to a lot of pre-event publicity, the Friday evening ceremony was well-attended, as were the Saturday events, when a curious and eager crowd flooded through the gates to get a wee taste of the Highlands. The crowds grew even larger on Saturday, as an overcast sky gave way to bright midday sunshine.

From my vantage point in the Clan Henderson tent on Saturday, I had a full view of the music stage, the sheepdog herding demonstration and the athletic competitions. Other popular events during the day were the pipe band competitions and the kids' activities. The latter included a caber toss for the wee ones and a kilted relay race. A

"passport stamping" program encouraged the children to come around to all the Clan tents and get a stamp from each representative.

Several Clan members and would-be members found their way to the tent. Special thanks go to St. Louis area members Jane Palmer and Wallace Henderson. Lillian and a friend

came by to give this humble convenor a few minutes of rest, while Wallace's help at the Clan Henderson tent allowed me to participate in the midday Parade of Tartans. A great crowd gathered for the parade and I proudly held high the Clan Henderson standard.

Special recognition also goes to Clan member Kevin Henderson of Valley Falls, Kansas, who earned first place in his class for virtually every athletic competition on Saturday. Congratulations, Kevin!

At 5 P.M., awards were handed out to the athletes, the dancers, the pipers and drummers, as well as the "best of show" for one of the British cars. The event drew some 4,000 attendees, almost double last year's event. I met some wonderful prospects, particularly young people, so I'll be following up with them to nurture their interest and encourage them to join the Clan.

**Far South Region
Kenneth Thiry
Commissioner**



Tulsa Games

**by Laura Davis Thiry
Sec/Treas**

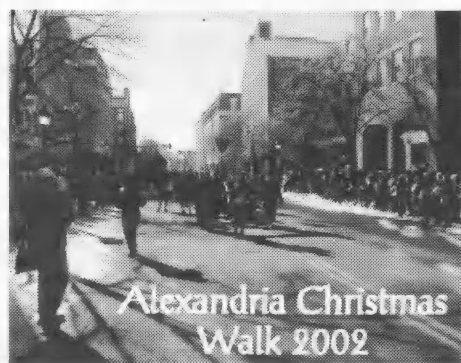
What great fall weather we had for a super games!!! Sue and Dick Hoffman came up from Texas. We had a lot of activity at the tent. New members and renewals. Some Hendersons have moved to our area from other parts of the U.S. We are happy to have them join us.

Kevin Henderson competed in the under 190 lb division and took first place all around. He also took world in Sacramento, California. Kevin lives in Valley Falls, Kansas.

Laura Venable took first in her dance division and had a dance off for Dancer of the Day. We cheered her on and were very proud of her poise and professionalism. She makes Clan Henderson so proud each and every time she is competing. Thank you, Laura.

Stew Joslin was there with the Oklahoma Scottish Pipes and Drums. They have a very busy schedule for the fall.

It turned out to be a record-breaking attendance that just shows the Scottish games are providing a needed service or outlet for people to be entertained, compete, find lineage, and see friends.



Clan Henderson Memorabilia

Item	Color	Size	Price	Color	Size	Price	Color	Size	Price
Tees									
	Blue	XXL	\$12.00	Green	XXL	\$12.00	Black	XXL	\$12.00
	Blue	XL	\$10.00	Green	XL	\$10.00	Black	XL	\$10.00
	Blue	L	\$10.00	Green	L	\$10.00			
	Blue	M	\$10.00	Green	M	\$10.00			
	Blue	S	\$10.00	Green	S	\$10.00			
Sweats									
	Blue	XXL	\$18.00	Green	XXL	\$18.00			
	Blue	X L	\$15.00	Green	XL	\$15.00			
	Blue	L	\$15.00	Green	L	\$15.00			
Caps, Golf									
	Blue		\$ 6.00	Green		\$ 6.00			
Decal									
	Inside		\$1.50	Outside		\$1.50			
Kilt Pins									
			\$12.00						
Lapel Pins									
			\$10.00						
Badges									
			\$12.00						
Pendants									
			\$10.00						
Clan Tags									
			\$ 6.00						
Tote Bags									
			\$10.00						

Information on the Cotton Tartan Material

Ancient Henderson sett, 54 inches wide. Sells for \$15/yd plus shipping. The material is 100% cotton, and will not hold pleats, as in Kilts. Can be used for skirts, shirts, tablecloths, curtains or whatever. However, because it is cotton, it has some shrinkage, and should be washed before any clothing is made with it.

Clan Henderson memorabilia may be obtained at Clan Henderson tents, from your regional commissioners, or from the clan quartermaster. [See page 23 for contact information.]

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Gleanings from the Life of Samuel Henderson

Compiled by Maurine Harrison

Samuel Henderson Jr. was born in Bellview, Missouri, 19 October 1820. He was the son of Samuel Henderson and Mary Goforth, who were the parents of twelve children: James, Elizabeth, William, John, Jane, Sarah, Minerva, Rachel, Isabell, Samuel, Mary (Polly), and George.

Samuel Henderson was a pioneer in three states: Utah, Idaho and Wyoming. He displayed in each the qualities of ambition, enterprise and public spirit. He was a potent and serviceable factor in building up the communities in which he lived as well as in the surrounding areas. He can justly be entitled to the designation of a Pioneer, for all his life was amid the stirring events and undeveloped conditions with which civilization battled continuously in bringing the country to a prosperous and profitable state. He was involved with the transition from a sagebrush wilderness into a rounded civilized section governed by law and order, and influenced by religious activity. He lived in an environment of progress. His quickness of thought and versatility, plus his activities as a business man gave ample scope to his energies.

Samuel Henderson joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormons) when a young man in the state of Missouri, and in company with his father's family, moved to Illinois and joined the great body of it's people in their city beautiful — Nauvoo. Soon afterward, he married Maryette Cory in the Nauvoo Endowment House. She was born January 1827. They had three children. The first died at birth (not named). Josiah and Samuel S. were the other children and they both died while young. After living together for seven years his wife left him and their marriage ended. Samuel continued to live and labor continually for the building of the city of Nauvoo and the kingdom of God upon the earth—both spiritually and temporally. He was well

acquainted with the Prophet Joseph Smith. He worked with him splitting rails. He was also a body guard to the Prophet. He was still residing at Nauvoo when the Prophet Joseph Smith and his brother Hyrum were martyred. He heard the last public discourse given by the Prophet Joseph.

After the martyrdom he moved from the city of Nauvoo to Pisga for the winter. In the spring of 1849 he moved from Pisga on to Council Bluffs, Iowa, and while there he became acquainted with Harriet Hawkins, a daughter of Benjamin and Rhoda Cleveland Hawkins. They were married by Apostle Orson Hyde 21 April 1850, at Council Bluffs, and on 1 Jun 1850 they started for Salt Lake Valley.

Quite a number of their company died on the journey with cholera, but those remaining arrived in Salt Lake Valley on 15 September 1850. They stayed there for three weeks and then moved to Kays Ward, now known as Kaysville, Utah, Davis County. They settled down on Kay's Creek about October and began to make a home by digging a hole in the ground—a "doug-out"—to live in through the coming winter. They had a 10" by 12" pane of glass for a window, and a quilt for a door and a deerskin for a carpet. Samuel made chairs and his wife Harriet put the bottoms in them with rushes. Their supplies for the winter consisted of 30 pounds of flour, given to them by Lyman Hawkins, a half-brother of Benjamin Hawkins (Harriet's father), one pound of tea, 5 pounds of coffee and a quart of dry beans. They didn't use the coffee, so sold it for \$5.00. The first set of chairs they sold for a quarter of beef—the chairs being worth \$18.00 per set. They rendered out 32 pounds of tallow from the beef and it was used for shortening and—for lights. For lights they used a cloth tied around a button and set in the middle of a tin plate filled with melted tallow. The second set of chairs were sold for 100 pounds of flour, worth \$10.00 at the time, one-half bushel

of turnips, one bushel of potatoes and a bushel of beets.

The third set of chairs Harriet took to Farmington on the gunning gears of a wagon which had a few loose boards to ride on and a yoke of oxen for a team. The chairs were worth \$18.00 and she sold them for a bake oven, a skillet, one-half dozen chickens, some squash and the rest in groceries. The fourth set of chairs was taken to Salt Lake City in the same way. She received \$5.00 in cash and the balance of the \$18.00 was taken in dry goods.

The chairs which they made after this were sold near their home. When spring came they were able to buy the frame for a house. That consisted of boards, put on up and down. This house cost \$75.00. They finished it during the summer, and from that time they began to really live. All the while they were in danger of being attacked by Indians.

In the spring of 1851 they put in seeds and harvested good crops that season. On 13 August 1851 their first child was born and they named him Ammon Benjamine. In the fall of 1852 they sold their frame house and the land it was on and moved half a mile down the creek where they had taken up some more land and built a long house. On 26 May 1853 their second child, Orson, was born in their new home. Samuel was acting as Ward Teacher at this time and they lived at this place until after their third child Harriet Ann was born 4 February 1855.

On 6 May 1855, Samuel Henderson married his third wife, Helen Mar Cutler. In the fall of 1855 he built a 'dobe house in the city limits of Kay's City. On 23 May 1856 Helen Mar gave birth to her first child, Melvin Cutler. He was born in their new 'dobe house. On 26 May 1857 Harriet gave birth to her fourth child, Mary Ellen.

In the spring of 1858, Samuel Henderson with his two families loaded their household goods into a wagon with a piece of carpet for a wagon cover, and started for the south. This was a

general move for all the Latter-Day Saints that lived in that part of the country because Gen. Johnston's army was threatening to hang every Mormon who was a polygamist. They moved to Provo, about 40 miles south of Salt Lake City. Helen Mar gave birth to her second child, Samuel P., on 26 May 1858, at Provo, Utah. They left her there while the rest of the family went on to Santaquin. Two weeks later Samuel returned to Salt Lake City and took Helen Mar back to Santaquin to join them.

Samuel made six trips back and forth from Santaquin to Kaysville with no trouble, and on the first of August 1858, peace being restored to their homeland, they returned to Kaysville, 1 September 1858. Their crops during that year were almost a total loss. The grain which was not taken by the grasshoppers was destroyed by rust. They saved 6 bushels of barley and threshed it out with a flail. After taking it to the mill to have it ground, they divided it with their neighbors until they had just five pounds left.

The winter of 1858-9 was a hard one on everybody as the grasshoppers had taken nearly everything. On 20 March 1859 Harriett's fifth child, Edith Alice was born. The snow was two feet deep on the level. On 28 April 1860, Helen Mar gave birth to her third child, Marion.

In 1860, Harriet taught the public day-school, commencing about the first of April and taught for six months. The students paid tuition, and she took a molasses mill for part of her pay. Samuel Henderson was an agent for the Deseret News at that time, and one of the school trustees.

On 14 April 1861, Harriet gave birth to her 6th child, William Arthur, her last child to be born at Kaysville. The grasshoppers were still there, which made it very hard to save enough to live on. On 11 Jul 1862, Helen Mar gave birth to her 4th child, Adelbert, the last of her children to be born at Kaysville.

In the fall of 1862 they sold their farm and city property in Kaysville and moved to Brigham City, Box Elder County, Utah.

There they bought a farm from a man four miles north of Brigham City, but could not take possession of the farm until the next spring about the 15th of

May 1863. During that winter they lived in Sheldon Cutler's house, about three miles north of the city. At this place Harriet's seventh child, LaFayette, was born on 14 Mar 1865.

About 4 February 1863 General Conner was returning from a campaign in the northern part of the territory to quiet the hostile Indians and fought them at a battle on a creek that emptied into Bear River. Afterwards this creek was called Battle Creek and is about twelve miles north of Franklin, Idaho. They stopped at Samuel's home and got hot coffee for the wounded soldiers. Samuel Parkinson Sr. of Franklin was teamster for the wounded soldiers.

About 15 May they moved into their new farm home and their agricultural interests were greatly increased. They planted a large orchard of different kinds of fruit trees and berries. They also raised hay and grain and had quite an interest in sheep, cattle and horses. They raised their own wool, carded it by hand, spun it into yarn, wove their cloth and made their own clothes.

Samuel was a school teacher and taught his own thirty-six children. He was a soldier, having fought in the Black Hawk war. He was a carpenter, a tanner, blacksmith, farmer, stock-raiser, owned and operated a sawmill in Cottonwood Canyon, and owned a large orchard in Brigham City, Utah. He was shoemaker and a musician. He lived in many communities and organized a band in each, making many of the instruments himself.

On 17 August 1864, Helen Mar gave birth to her 5th child, Oscar Sheldon. During the year of 1864 they were very prosperous and happy and enjoyed good health.

On 2 September 1864 Samuel Henderson went to Salt Lake City and married Mary Jane Chivers as his 4th wife. In the fall of 1864 they bought a house and lot in Brigham City and of 25 February Harriet gave birth to her eighth child, Ulyssus. On 5 August 1866, Mary Jane gave birth to her first child James. He was given the name by Samuel Henderson. He died the same day he was born.

Samuel was the first postmaster of Kaysville, Utah. He built a molasses mill and made molasses for his own families and others. He owned an interest in a tannery. He taught his wives the art of

leather and tailoring.

From Brigham City he moved to Clifton, Idaho. He and his sons had a contract with the railroad company to secure and saw ties. They camped in the canyon to do the work. A hazardous winter set in and they were compelled to return to Clifton on snow shoes as the heavy snows restricted them from returning by sleigh. Arriving home with food, they could not find the cabin as it was completely covered with snow. They finally detected it by discovering smoke from the chimney and an icy tunnel descending to the door. Another tunnel led through fifteen feet of snow to the water spring. Samuel's fourth wife, Mary Jane, was in bed with the quincy. The food supply had dwindled to a few morsels of beans. More tragic than that was the sight of three bodies — victims of diphtheria — the oldest three in the family. They were buried in the snow until spring. William Sanford died 23 December 1879; Wilson died 19 December 1879; and Leslie died 25 December 1879.

After moving to Brigham City from Kaysville, Samuel was called back to Missouri on a mission by Lorenzo Snow, who was then Stake President. His relatives there were bitter and refused him admittance into their homes unless he would agree not to mention his religion. While there his 11 year old son died.

Samuel Henderson came to Star Valley in July 1886. In October, he sent for his wife, Mary Jane, and her family, hers being the youngest children. As winter was coming on, they stopped in a small log house west of what is now Afton. The next spring he moved his family to the west side of the valley. He moved but once more and this time to Dry Creek (Osmond) where the family lived in a tent during the summer while he was getting out logs for a house. (This place is still owned by his youngest Grandson LaVon Henderson 1992)

There were many deer and elk to be seen, and Indians could be seen almost every day in the summer. Samuel took pride in raising many fine sheep and cattle, and he had fine horses. He was successful at farming and gardening supplying Star Valley with the fine small fruits to be grown there. He was instrumental in getting the first day school started in Osmond. This first

school house was a small one-room log cabin. It stood just north of where the Church house now stands. Each student furnished his own desk and stool. Slates were used to write on and there were very few books. School lasted about three or four months a year and was at first held in the summertime.

Samuel Henderson helped build the first church house in Afton and later one in Osmond. He started the first band also. It consisted of two drums, a flute and two bass horns. Samuel, Mary Jane and a few others met with the authorities and organized a Sunday School. Samuel was called to be Superintendent, an office he held almost up to the time of his death. He was a faithful church worker and always held some position in the church. He was president of the Seventies Quorum for many years.

Samuel had a pair of large steers which he used for oxen. He made a yoke for them and when company came the boys would hitch them up and all the young folks would go for a merry ride. They made their own entertainment, dancing—usually in the school house with either a violin or accordion for the music—sometimes both. Samuel liked to watch the young folks dance but liked to see them do it “in a proper manner.” It was commented by Mary Hill in later years, “I believe with all our pioneer days, people were as happy and contented as they are now.”

Most travel was by horseback, or in winter months, snowshoes. Later by sleigh or buggy. The buggies were white topped with front and back seats, drawn by two horses. During the long winter months Samuel spent his time making furniture for himself and others. He did extensive carving to decorate bedsteads, high chairs and other pieces of furniture. He made many looms and spinning wheels—Some of them are still kept as relics by people in the valley. Samuel seldom, if ever, swore. Once when he mashed his finger, he was heard to say, “Oh, Jeremiah!”

Reminiscing at the funeral of Otto Harrison, Clarence Gardner, another early Star Valley pioneer, said, “I have been thinking of that splendid old man that came here years ago, and that was Brother Samuel Henderson. He lived down near the creamery and was one of the most faithful men that I have ever known. He was growing old in the service but never shirked his duties. He would do whatever he was called upon to do. I remember when we used to meet in the old log schoolhouse, which later was burned. Brother Henderson at that time was superintendent of the Sunday School and he was devoted to taking care of his work. I remember coming there and Brother Henderson didn’t have any watch or any way of telling the time. I was very much impressed with him when he went up about time to take up Sunday School and he had

his mark on the floor, and said. “When the sun gets to that mark it is time to take up Sunday School.” Many people of this ward (Osmond) are children and grandchildren of those old pioneer families. I just feel that we as a people of those early days have been watched over and blessed spiritually, temporally and financially so much that we should express thanks to the Lord for the blessings we have received.” (25 July 1948)

Samuel Henderson was about five feet seven inches tall. He was 38 inches around the chest and weighed 155 pounds. He had dark gray eyes, black hair and good health. He died of old age at 84 years. At one time while digging a ditch by hand, he asked his wife not to bury him “up here among these rocks” and so when he passed away 20 October 1904, he was taken to Clifton, Idaho to rest beside his loved ones.

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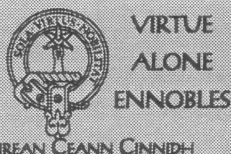
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Warrior of weeds
barbed symbol
of the ancient Celts
how proud you wear
your glories past
in tender hues
upon your brow.

Through feudal wars
of noble clans
in victory and defeat
you thrived upon
parched battlefields
with naught but blood
to slake your thirst.

How can such puffs in
tones of softest mauve
in comfort rest
upon a bed of thorns?

Perhaps your verdant
swords of pain
long to atone
and humbly offer clouds
of royal purple down
in sweet apology.

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